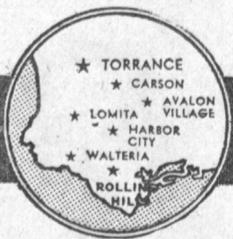


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# Council May Cut Back Service On 'Low Revenue' Bus Routes

## One Line Reported To Cost \$68 a Day More Than Revenue

Municipal bus services may be curtailed in Torrance following expected actions Tuesday night, it was revealed Friday.

First step in the expected cutback of transportation services in the community is the recommendation by Bus Superintendent M. A. Chamberlain that the council discontinue, as of June 16, the line presently providing services to the southwestern portion of the city.

Line in question was established last September. It presently starts at 190th and Anza, travels through the Southwood tract to the Del Amo Shopping Center, along Sepulveda and ends in downtown Torrance.

### 5 DAY WEEK

Line has been operating five days a week for the past seven months and revenues have not been up to expectations.

According to Chamberlain, the revenue per mile averages 6.2 cents while the

cost is 49.7 cents per mile.

"Our losses amount to 43.5 cents per mile or more than \$68 per day," Chamberlain stated.

A passenger check was conducted in the period April 10 to April 14 and the greatest number of passengers listed was on April 12 when 53 riders were counted.

Chamberlain recommended the June 16 discontinuance date as the end of the school semester. He suggested, as a second choice, that the service on the line be drastically reduced.

Council will take the issue under submission and will probably recommend further study.

### RECOMMEND ASSISTANT

City Manager George Stevens Tuesday will recommend to the council that John A. Bramhall be temporarily appointed as assistant city manager, effective May 17.

Bramhall will replace Chapman Bone, present assistant, who will assume the post of city manager in La Mirada on that date.

### BOARD 'OK' NEEDED ...

## Majority Of Judges Favor Torrance Site For Proposed Southwest District Court

Location of the proposed Southwest District Superior Court in Torrance was virtually assured late last week with the endorsement of 71 of the 102 superior court judges in the county.

A poll of the judges had been attempted earlier in the week but quorum was not present and an official vote could not be taken.

One final step remains, the official naming of the site for the proposed court facility by the board of supervisors. The naming of the site is considered to be a formality following the recommendation of the judges.

### CHOICE OF SITES

Basic choice of locations apparently lay with either Torrance or Inglewood.

Offer of land for the facility within the proposed Torrance civic center was apparently the deciding factor. Court would be located adjacent to the present South Bay Municipal Court with a maximum of available parking space and with land available for expanding the facility.

Letters from Chambers of Commerce and city governments in the southerly portion of the district have been sent to both the board of supervisors and the com-

mittee of judges set up to study the problem. Letters pointed out that Torrance is located in the geographical center of the district and that highways and present and proposed freeways give ready access to the court from all portions of the district.

### SCHOOL BOARD MEET

The Board of Education of the Torrance Unified School District will meet Tuesday evening, 8 p.m. in the Administration Building of the district, 2335 Plaza Del Amo. Meeting will be preceded by a committee session called for 7:30 p.m.

### Local Librarian Retires May 31 After 30-Years

Mrs. Dorothy Jamieson, regional librarian for the Torrance-South Bay district, this week announced that she will retire May 31 after more than 30 years in the same position.

Betty Lee Addison, Torrance branch librarian, will assume the post following the retirement of Mrs. Jamieson.

Mrs. Jamieson began her career as a county librarian in 1931 as an assistant in the Torrance branch.

### Mounted Police Will Sponsor Rodeo, Parade

The eighth annual Torrance Rancho Days will be held August 5 and 6, it was reported Friday by members of the Torrance Mounted Police.

Former Torrance Police Sergeant Bill Evans will be in charge of arranging the annual rodeo and parade.

Evans reported that the event will probably be covered by a local television station and that more than half a million Southlanders are expected to view the day-long activities.

Rodeo will be held in the vacant area directly behind the Torrance police station, Evans reported.



HONOR MOTHERS TODAY—Torrance youngsters went "all out" during the past week preparing to honor their mothers on "her day." Shops were full to overflowing with the youngsters purchasing gifts for Mom. This troop of Bluebirds came

up with a unique idea however, with a special ceremony the youngsters honored all of their mothers with a special tea. Shown are Mrs. Pauline Mach, Rose Mary Edwards, Mrs. Janet Tasker, and Betty Jo Blagden.

### SELECTED BY ACCLAMATION ...

## Torrance Councilman Named President Of Vital Intercity Highway Committee

Members of the vital Intercity Highway Committee Thursday evening elected Torrance City Councilman J. A. Beasley to the presidency of the organiza-

tion and two other South Bay men to the vice presidency and the secretary-treasurer's position.

Beasley, who was selected for the post by acclama-

tion, recently participated with the Torrance Press in a successful campaign to bring much needed safety measures to the intersections of Sepulveda and Torrance Blvds. on Hawthorne.

Gerald S. Honey, of Palos Verdes Estates and a committee representative from North American Aviation, was selected as vice president, and Murray O. Nixon, of Inglewood, was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Nixon is chairman of the Inglewood Planning Commission.

Named to the board of directors of the committee were Seymour J. Siegel, Culver City; F. Marty Reid, El Segundo; Mayor Robert Kane, Gardena; Newell Endicott, Hawthorne; C. W. Shepherd, Hermosa Beach; Frank T. Hogan, Lawndale; Thomas P. Foye, Manhattan Beach; and William A. Cameron, Redondo Beach. Cameron is outgoing president of the committee.

### AWARD WINNERS

"Each of nine entries submitted by El Camino College students to the annual exhibit of the Technical Illustrators Management Association was awarded a blue ribbon and certificate of merit." Al Thomas, technical illustration instructor announced this week.

Students whose work was honored were John Rinde, Francis Weidenbener, Mrs. Dolores Briej, Mrs. June Hunter, Carl Sundstrom, William Mikkelsen, Henry Uyeda, Clyde Vitelli and Gary Runnals.

### CONSOLIDATION

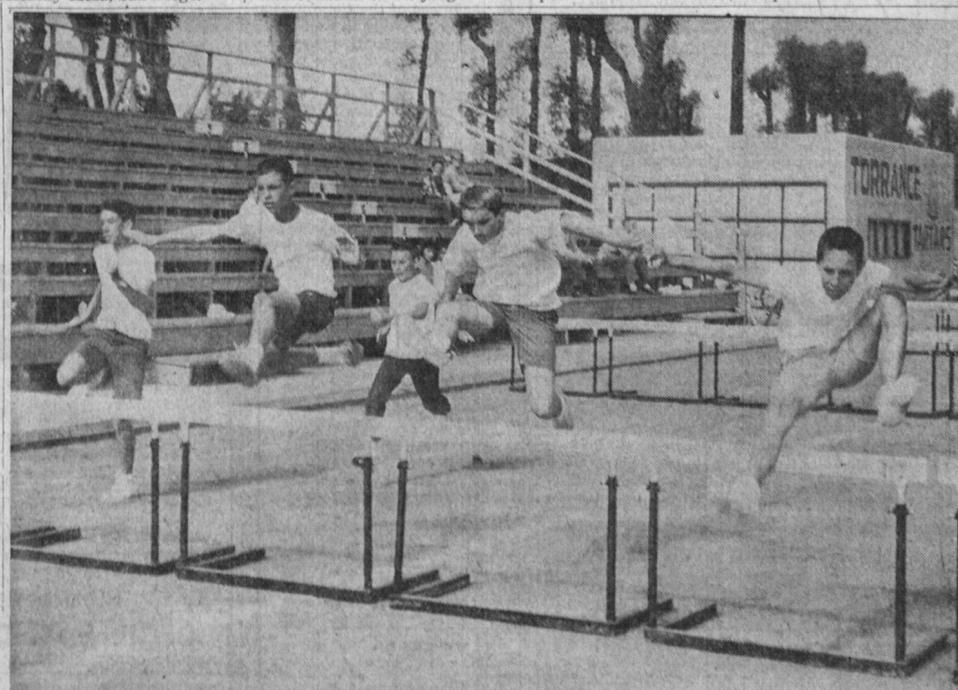
Ryan Aeronautical Company, which has had its activities centered in six operating units, three of them of major significance, has now consolidated all company functions into three principal plant facilities.

These will be the Electronics production plant in Torrance; the Aerospace plant at Lindburgh Field, San Diego; and the Electronics engineering and research facility on Kearny Mesa, San Diego.



CLEANUP CREW—Members of the Torrance YMCA got into the "Clean Up, Paint Up, Fix Up" act, yesterday morning as they dug out brooms, mops and pails, paraded downtown and spent the day cleaning up

streets and alleys. Here Leonard Sawyer, Jim Anderson, Mike Brown and Stefan Doten, prepare for their cleanup chores. Special cleanup month is sponsored by the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.



UP AND OVER—Approximately 350 elementary school youngsters showed up at Torrance High School yesterday morning for the 12th annual Elementary Track and Field Meet, sponsored by the Torrance Optimist Club. Winners in all events

were awarded ribbons and certificates. Here Jim Rudnick, of Nativity School, and Howard Graybehl, Carl Randall, Ronny Hand and John Randall, all of Madrona School, leap over the 80-yard low jump's course.